

**Proposition 1**

High Speed Rail Bonds. Legislative Initiative  
Amendment.

Senate Bill No. 1856 CHAPTER 697

Sponsor: Costa.

July 7, 2008

**BALLOT LABEL**

**SAFE, RELIABLE HIGH-SPEED PASSENGER TRAIN BOND ACT  
FOR THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY.**

This act provides for the Safe, Reliable High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act for the 21st Century. For the purpose of reducing traffic on the state's highways and roadways, upgrading commuter transportation, improving people's ability to get safely from city to city, alleviating congestion at airports, reducing air pollution, and providing for California's growing population, shall the state build a high-speed train system and improve existing passenger rail lines serving the state's major population centers by creating a rail trust fund that will issue bonds totaling \$9.95 billion, paid from existing state funds at an average cost of six hundred and forty-seven million dollars (\$647 million) per year over the 30-year life of the bonds, with all expenditures subject to an independent audit? Fiscal Impact: State cost of \$19.4 billion over 30 years to pay both principal and interest costs of the bonds. Payments would average about \$647 million per year. Unknown operation and maintenance costs, probably over \$1 billion annually; at least partially offset by passenger fares.

**SUBJECT TO COURT  
ORDERED CHANGES**

Proposition 2  
Standards For Confining Farm Animals.  
Initiative Statute.  
Proponent: Joe Ramsey

July 3, 2008  
Initiative 07-0041  
SOS 1274

**BALLOT LABEL**

**STANDARDS FOR CONFINING FARM ANIMALS. INITIATIVE STATUTE.**

Requires that certain farm animals be allowed, for the majority of every day, to fully extend their limbs or wings, lie down, stand up and turn around. Limited exceptions apply. Fiscal Impact: Potential unknown decrease in state and local tax revenues from farm businesses, possibly in the range of several million dollars annually. Potential minor local and state enforcement and prosecution costs, partly offset by increased fine revenue.

**SUBJECT TO COURT  
ORDERED CHANGES**

**Proposition 3**

Children's Hospital Bond Act. Grant Program.

Initiative Statute.

Proponent: Diana S. Dooley

July 3, 2008

Initiative 07-0034

SOS 1271

**BALLOT LABEL**

**CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL BOND ACT. GRANT PROGRAM.  
INITIATIVE STATUTE.**

Authorizes \$980,000,000 in general obligation bonds for construction, expansion, remodeling, renovation, furnishing and equipping of eligible children's hospitals. Fiscal Impact: State cost of about \$2 billion over 30 years to pay off both the principal (\$980 million) and interest (\$933 million) costs of the bonds. Payments of about \$64 million per year.

**SUBJECT TO COURT  
ORDERED CHANGES**

**Proposition 4**

Waiting Period and Parental Notification  
Before Termination of Minor's Pregnancy.  
Initiative Constitutional Amendment.  
Proponent: John Smith

July 3, 2008  
Initiative 07-0053  
SOS 1287

**BALLOT LABEL**

**WAITING PERIOD AND PARENTAL NOTIFICATION BEFORE TERMINATION OF  
MINOR'S PREGNANCY. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.**

Changes California Constitution, prohibiting abortion for unemancipated minor until 48 hours after physician notifies minor's parent, legal guardian, or, in limited cases, substitute adult relative. Provides an exception for medical emergency or parental waiver. Fiscal Impact: Potential unknown net state costs of several million dollars annually for health and social services programs, court administration, and state health agency administration combined.

**SUBJECT TO COURT  
ORDERED CHANGES**

**Proposition 5**

Nonviolent Drug Offenses. Sentencing, Parole  
and Rehabilitation. Initiative Statute.

Proponent: Daniel N. Abrahamson

July 3, 2008  
Initiative 07-0081  
SOS 1310

**BALLOT LABEL**

**NONVIOLENT DRUG OFFENSES. SENTENCING, PAROLE AND  
REHABILITATION. INITIATIVE STATUTE.**

Allocates \$460,000,000 annually to improve and expand treatment programs. Limits court authority to incarcerate offenders who commit certain drug crimes, break drug treatment rules or violate parole. Fiscal Impact: Increased state costs potentially exceeding \$1 billion annually primarily for expansion of offender treatment programs. State savings potentially exceeding \$1 billion annually on corrections operations. Net one-time state prison capital outlay savings potentially exceeding \$2.5 billion.

**SUBJECT TO COURT  
ORDERED CHANGES**

**Proposition 6**

Police and Law Enforcement Funding.  
Criminal Penalties and Laws. Initiative  
Statute.

Proponents: George C. Runner, Jr., Gary  
Ovitt, and Mike Reynolds

July 3, 2008  
Initiative 07-0094  
SOS 1326

**BALLOT LABEL**

**POLICE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT FUNDING. CRIMINAL PENALTIES AND  
LAWS. INITIATIVE STATUTE.**

Requires minimum of \$695,000,000 of state funding each year for police and local law enforcement. Makes approximately 30 revisions to California criminal law. Fiscal Impact: Increased net state costs exceeding \$500 million annually due to increasing spending on criminal justice programs to at least \$965 million and for corrections operating costs. Potential one-time state prison capital outlay costs exceeding \$500 million.

**SUBJECT TO COURT  
ORDERED CHANGES**



**Proposition 7**

Renewable Energy Generation. Initiative  
Statute.

Proponent: Jim Gonzalez

July 7, 2008  
Initiative 07-0066  
SOS 1304

**BALLOT LABEL**

**RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATION. INITIATIVE STATUTE.**

Requires government-owned utilities to generate 20% of their electricity from renewable energy by 2010, a standard currently applicable to private electrical corporations. Raises requirement for all utilities to 40% by 2020 and 50% by 2025. Fiscal Impact: Increased state administrative costs up to \$3.4 million annually, paid by fees. Unknown impact on state and local government costs and revenues due to the measure's uncertain impact on retail electricity rates.

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**SUBJECT TO COURT  
ORDERED CHANGES**

**Proposition 8**

Eliminates Right of Same-Sex Couples to Marry. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Proponents: Dennis Hollingsworth; Gail J. Knight; Martin F. Gutierrez; Hak-Shing; William Tam; and Mark A. Jansson

July 3, 2008  
Initiative 07-0068  
SOS 1298

**BALLOT LABEL**

**ELIMINATES RIGHT OF SAME-SEX COUPLES TO MARRY.  
INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.**

Changes California Constitution to eliminate the right of same-sex couples to marry. Provides that only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California. Fiscal Impact: Over next few years, potential revenue loss, mainly sales taxes, totaling in the several tens of millions of dollars, to state and local governments. In the long run, likely little fiscal impact on state and local governments.

**SUBJECT TO COURT  
ORDERED CHANGES**



**Proposition 9**

Criminal Justice System. Victims' Rights.  
Parole. Initiative Constitutional Amendment  
and Statute.

Proponent: Dr. Henry Nicholas, Ms. Marcella  
Leach, Ms. LaWanda Hawkins

July 3, 2008  
Initiative 07-0100  
SOS 1325

**BALLOT LABEL**

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM. VICTIMS' RIGHTS. PAROLE. INITIATIVE  
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE.**

Requires notification to victim and opportunity for input during phases of criminal justice process, including bail, pleas, sentencing and parole. Establishes victim safety as consideration for bail or parole. Fiscal Impact: Potential loss of state savings on prison operations and increased county jail costs amounting to hundreds of millions of dollars annually. Potential net savings in the low tens of millions of dollars annually on parole procedures.

**SUBJECT TO COURT  
ORDERED CHANGES**

**Proposition 10**

Alternative Fuel Vehicles and Renewable  
Energy. Bonds. Initiative Statute.

Proponents: Allison Hart, Mitzi Dudley &  
Thomas Daly

July 14, 2008  
Initiative 07-0101  
SOS 1332

**BALLOT LABEL**

**ALTERNATIVE FUEL VEHICLES AND RENEWABLE ENERGY. BONDS.  
INITIATIVE STATUTE.**

Authorizes \$5 billion in bonds paid from state's General Fund, to help consumers and others purchase certain vehicles, and to fund research in renewable energy and alternative fuel vehicles. Fiscal Impact: State cost of about \$10 billion over 30 years to repay bonds. Increased state and local revenues, potentially totaling several tens of millions of dollars through 2019. Potential state administrative costs up to about \$10 million annually.

**SUBJECT TO COURT  
ORDERED CHANGES**

**Proposition 11**

Redistricting. Initiative Constitutional  
Amendment and Statute.

Proponents: Kathay Feng, Jeannine English,  
and David Fleming

July 3, 2008  
Initiative 07-0077  
SOS 1307

**BALLOT LABEL**

**REDISTRICTING. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE.**

Changes authority for establishing state office boundaries from elected representatives to commission. Establishes multilevel process to select commissioners from registered voter pool. Commission comprised of Democrats, Republicans, and representatives of neither party. Fiscal Impact: Potential increase in state redistricting costs once every ten years due to two entities performing redistricting. Any increase in costs probably would not be significant.

**SUBJECT TO COURT  
ORDERED CHANGES**

**PROPOSITION 12**

Veterans' Bond Act of 2008.

Senate Bill No. 1572 CHAPTER 122.

Sponsor: Wyland.

July 17, 2008

**BALLOT LABEL**

**VETERANS' BOND ACT OF 2008.**

This act provides for a bond issue of nine hundred million dollars (\$900,000,000) to provide farm and home aid for California veterans. Fiscal Impact: Costs of about \$1.8 billion to pay off both the principal (\$900 million) and interest (\$856 million) on the bonds; costs paid by participating veterans. Average payment for principal and interest of about \$59 million per year for 30 years.

**SUBJECT TO COURT  
ORDERED CHANGES**